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In re application of:

Dane K. FISHER *et al.*

Appln. No.: 09/394,745

Filed: September 15, 1999

Title: **Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other  
Molecules Associated with Plants**

Art Unit: 1637

Examiner: Young J. KIM

Atty. Docket: 16517.001/38-21(15454)B

**Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicants request that the period for responding to the final Office Action be extended one month from December 11, 2002 to January 11, 2003, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$110.00 for a one (1) month extension for a large entity. However, if additional fees for extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, other than those provided for herewith, are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

Authorization to charge the \$110 extension of time fee is given in the accompanying transmittal letter. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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